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Short-lived wastewater discharge in McGregor

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McGREGOR—Staff at the city of McGregor in Clayton County found wastewater backing up at the wastewater treatment plant this morning.

The city's wastewater operator said the discharge probably began early this morning when a valve plugged with rags. An estimated 10,000 gallons of untreated wastewater flowed over the yard of a nearby summer home before entering the Mississippi River on the south side of town.

By 8 a.m., the city stopped the discharge.

The DNR encourages residents to keep children and pets away from the discharge area for the next 24 to 48 hours.